## NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES ASSOCIATED WITH AGING, PARTICULARLY SKIN AGING

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention relates to the discovery of nucleic acids and proteins associated with the aging processes, such as cell proliferation and senescence, and in particular with skin aging. The identification of these aging-associated nucleic acids and proteins have diagnostic uses in detecting the aging status of a cell population as well as application for gene therapy and the delaying of the aging process.

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